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Please amend the claims as follows:

Please cancel claims 114-121 and 143-158.

1-140. Cancelled

141. (Previously Presented) A method for treating a subject suffering from rheumatoid arthritis, comprising administering to the subject both an antibody and methotrexate, such that the rheumatoid arthritis is treated, wherein the antibody is an isolated human antibody, or an antigen-binding portion thereof, that dissociates from human TNF α with a K_d of 1×10^{-8} M or less and a K_{off} rate constant of 1×10^{-3} s $^{-1}$ or less, both determined by surface plasmon resonance, and neutralizes human TNF α cytotoxicity in a standard *in vitro* L929 assay with an IC $_{50}$ of 1×10^{-7} M or less.

142. (Previously presented) A method for treating a subject suffering from rheumatoid arthritis, comprising administering to the subject both an antibody and methotrexate such that the rheumatoid arthritis is treated, wherein the antibody is D2E7.

143-158. (Cancelled)

159. (Previously presented) The method of claim 141, wherein the isolated human antibody, or antigen-binding portion thereof, dissociates from human TNF α with a K_{off} rate constant of 5×10^{-4} s $^{-1}$ or less.

160. (Previously presented) The method of claim 141, wherein the isolated human antibody, or antigen-binding portion thereof, dissociates from human TNF α with a K_{off} rate constant of 1×10^{-4} s $^{-1}$ or less.

161. (Previously presented) The method of claim 141, wherein the isolated human antibody, or antigen-binding portion thereof, neutralizes human TNF α cytotoxicity in a standard *in vitro* L929 assay with an IC $_{50}$ of 1×10^{-8} M or less.

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162. (Previously presented) The method of claim 141, wherein the isolated human antibody, or antigen-binding portion thereof, neutralizes human TNF α cytotoxicity in a standard *in vitro* L929 assay with an IC₅₀ of 1×10^{-9} M or less.

163. (Previously presented) The method of claim 141, wherein the isolated human antibody, or antigen-binding portion thereof, neutralizes human TNF α cytotoxicity in a standard *in vitro* L929 assay with an IC₅₀ of 1×10^{-10} M or less.

164. (Previously presented) The method of claim 141, wherein the isolated human antibody, or antigen-binding portion thereof, is a recombinant antibody, or antigen-binding portion thereof.

165. (Previously Presented) A method for treating a subject suffering from rheumatoid arthritis, comprising administering to the subject both an antibody and methotrexate, such that the rheumatoid arthritis is treated, wherein the antibody is an isolated human antibody, or antigen-binding portion thereof, with the following characteristics:

a) dissociates from human TNF α with a K_{off} rate constant of $1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$ or less, as determined by surface plasmon resonance;

b) has a light chain CDR3 domain comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 3, or modified from SEQ ID NO: 3 by a single alanine substitution at position 1, 4, 5, 7 or 8 or by one to five conservative amino acid substitutions at positions 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8 and/or 9;

c) has a heavy chain CDR3 domain comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 4, or modified from SEQ ID NO: 4 by a single alanine substitution at position 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10 or 11 or by one to five conservative amino acid substitutions at positions 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11 and/or 12.

166. (Previously presented) A method for treating a subject suffering from rheumatoid arthritis, comprising administering to the subject both an antibody and methotrexate, such that the rheumatoid arthritis is treated, wherein the antibody is an isolated human antibody, or an antigen binding portion thereof, with a light chain variable region (LCVR) comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1 and a heavy chain variable region (HCVR) comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2.